

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL, URBAN AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

Wednesday, January 23, 2008

10:30 a.m.

Room 327, House Office Building

Chair Byrum called the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Byrum, Young, Coulouris, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz, Opsommer (8/11)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Johnson, Tobocman, Meekhof (3/11)

Representative Meadows moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on December 5, 2007. Hearing no objection, the **motion prevailed** with unanimous consent.

Representative Farrah moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, **Chair Byrum** excused **Representatives Johnson, Tobocman and Meekhof**.

The **Chair** laid **House Bill 5634** before the committee.

HB 5634	Emmons	Economic development; downtown development authorities; issuance of qualified refunding obligations; revise.
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Representative Emmons explained the intent of the bill.

Jason Eppler, representing the City of Ionia, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Larry Steckelberg, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in **opposition** to the bill and answered questions.

Summer Minnick, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in **support** of the bill.

Representative Meadows moved to report **House Bill 5634** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Young, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz, Opsommer (7/11)

NAYS: None (0/11)

PASS: None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

The **Chair** laid **House Bill 5543** before the committee.

HB 5543 LeBlanc	Local government; other; fingerprinting of applicants or licensees in certain occupations for the purpose of receiving state and national criminal history record information; allow.
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Nick Norcross, from the Office of **Representative LeBlanc**, explained the intent of the bill.

Sean Mann, from the House Democratic Policy Office, answered questions.

David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified on the bill, indicating **support** of the **concept**, with amendment. He also made comments relative to **House Bill 5634**.

Greg Zarotney, representing the Michigan Department of State Police, submitted a testimony card indicating a **neutral** position, but did not wish to speak.

Cynthia Paul, representing the Service Employees International Union, submitted a testimony card in **opposition** to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The **Chair** announced that the committee would go at ease, the time being **11:20 a.m.**

Chair Byrum called the meeting to order, the time being **11:23 a.m.**

Representative Meadows offered the following amendment to **House Bill 5543**:

1. Amend page 2, line 12, by striking out all of subsection (4) and inserting:
(4) As used in this act:
(a) "Criminal history record information" means that term as defined in section 1a of 1925 PA 289, MCL 28.241a.
(b) "Local unit of government" means a county, city, village, township, or charter township.

Representative Meadows moved to adopt the amendment.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz, Opsommer (6/11)

NAYS: None (0/11)

PASS: Rep. Young (1/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

Representative Farrah moved to report **House Bill 5543**, with recommendation, as **Substitute (H-1)**.

ADVERSE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz (5/11)

NAYS: Rep. Opsommer (1/11)

PASS: Rep. Young (1/11)

An insufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion did not prevail**.

Representative Farrah moved to reconsider the previous motion.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Coulouris, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz (6/11)

NAYS: Opsommer (1/11)

PASS: Rep. Young (1/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

Representative Farrah moved to report **House Bill 5543**, with recommendation, as **Substitute (H-1)**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Coulouris, Farrah, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz (6/11)

NAYS: Rep. Opsommer (1/11)

PASS: Rep. Young (1/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:43 a.m.**

Representative Barb Byrum, Chair

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk
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